

Amendments to the Specification

At page 3, lines 14-19:

The garment of the invention is manufactured using a targeted elastic material ("TEM") having a targeted elastic zone aligned with the garment opening or openings. The TEM may have a substantially homogeneous appearance, and does not have a separately manufactured elastic band attached to it. Yet the TEM has different elastic properties at different regions, and exhibits greater elastic tension in a region aligned with, and in the vicinity of, at least one garment opening. In one embodiment, for example, the TEM may include one or more high tension zones aligned with one or more of the garment openings, and one or more low tension zones away from the openings. The high tension zone(s) can include one set of elastomeric filaments while the low tension zone(s) can include a different set of elastomeric filaments. The elastomeric filaments in the high tension zone may have different average filament sizes and/or densities than the elastomeric filaments in the low tension zone. In another embodiment, the elastomeric filaments in the high tension zone may include a different elastomeric polymer composition than the elastomeric filaments in the low tension zone.

In one embodiment, for example, the garment can be a disposable garment including a chassis with two front side panels and two back side panels. The chassis defines two leg openings and a waist opening. Each of the front and/or back side panels includes the TEM described above. More particularly, the TEM in the front and/or back side panels includes a first high tension zone aligned with one of the leg openings and a second high tension zone aligned with the waist opening, and a low tension zone between the first and second high tension zones.

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The illustrated absorbent chassis 32 comprises a rectangular absorbent composite structure 33, a pair of transversely opposed front side panels 34, and a pair of transversely opposed back side panels 134. The composite structure 33 and side panels 34 and 134 may be integrally formed or comprise two or more separate

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elements, as shown in Fig. 1. The illustrated composite structure 33 comprises an outer cover 40, a bodyside liner 42 (Figs. 1 and 4) which is connected to the outer cover in a superposed relation, an absorbent assembly 44 (Fig. 4) which is located between the outer cover and the bodyside liner, and a part pair of containment flaps 46 (Fig. 4). The rectangular composite structure 33 has opposite linear end edges 45 that form portions of the front and back waist edges 38 and 39, and opposite linear side edges 47 that form portions of the side edges 36 of the absorbent chassis 32 (Figs. 3 and 4). For reference, arrows 48 and 49 depicting the orientation of the longitudinal axis and the transverse axis, respectively, of the training pant 20 are illustrated in Figs. 3 and 4.